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EXPERTS ON AGING TO OFFER ASSISTANCE TO SENIORS AND CAREGIVERS

LANSING – State Senator Gilda Jacobs will host a panel discussion on aging issues for seniors and caregivers on Monday, November 8th, 10:30 am to 12:15 pm, at Botsford Commons Town Commons Dining Room, 21300 Archwood Circle, Farmington. The panel is sponsored by the Institute of Gerontology (IOG) at Wayne State University.

The program will cover the topics of dementia, estate planning, low vision rehabilitation, and older drivers. Panelists will include: Peter Lichtenberg, Ph.D., ABPP, Director of the IOG at WSU; Tom Trainer, Elder Law, Beier Howlett Law Firm; Dr. Lylas Mogk, Henry Ford Health Systems Visual Rehabilitation and Research Center of SE Michigan; and R. Darin Ellis, Ph.D., Associate Professor: IOG, Department of Industrial & Manufacturing Engineering.

"The professionals within the Institute of Gerontology are leading experts in research, education and outreach on aging issues," Jacobs said. "By partnering with the IOG, we can bring information about safe, informed and successful aging directly to the folks in our communities who need the information."

The IOG is a multidisciplinary research institute of WSU that is dedicated to promoting health across the lifespan, educating gerontology professionals, and disseminating research results throughout the community.

For more information about the program, call 313/577-2297.

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State Senator Gilda Jacobs represents the 14th Senate District, which includes Farmington, Farmington Hills, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Huntington Woods, Lathrup Village, Oak Park, Pleasant Ridge, Royal Oak Township, and Southfield. She is the Minority Vice Chair of the Families & Human Services Committee and the Economic Development, Small Business & Regulatory Reform Committee. She also serves on the Government Operations and Health Policy Committees.